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1. DRAFT RESOLUTION SENT REFTEL (A) HAS BEEN AMENDED TO ADD NEW FINAL PREAMBULAR PARA PROVIDING: "RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT MACHINERY TO DEAL ON A CONTINUING BASIS WITH ISSUES RELATING TO MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE DECLARATION AND THE PROGRAM OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER".

2. RESOLUTION SO AMENDED WILL BE INTRODUCED JULY 23. WE PLAN TO ACCORD IT THE PRIORITY THAT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE REQUESTED, BUT TO MOVE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:
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(A) PREAMBULAR PARAS 3 AND 4: CHANGE "RECALLING"

TO "NOTING".

(B) PREAMBULAR PARA 5: DELETE "QITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER" AND CHANGE "BE ORIENTED" TO "CONTRIBUTE".

(C) PREAMBULAR PARA 6: DELETE "POLICY".

(D) NEW PREAMBULAR PARA 7: DELETE ALL WORDS BEGINNING WITH "WITHIN".

(E) OPERATIVE PARA 2: DELETE "REGULATION OF AND CONTROL OVER" AND "REGULAR AND".

(F) OPERATIVE PARA 3: DELETE "IF POSSIBLE".

(G) OPERATIVE PARA 5: CHANGE " ON THE BASIS" TO "IN THE LIGHT OF".

(H) OPERATIVE PARA 6: AFTER WORD "COUNCIL" INSERT "OF BLANK MEMBERS".

(I) OPERATIVE PARA 7: CHANGE "CONNEXION WITH MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS" TO "THIS SPHERE".

(J) OPERATIVE PARA 8: DELETE "ORGANIZATIONAL" AND CHANGE "JANUARY" TO "APRIL".

3. WHILE WE BELIEVE ALL THESE AMENDMENTS TO BE DESIRABLE FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, ONLY TWO ARE OF MAJOR SUBSTANCE: THOSE IN SUBPARAS (B) AND (D) ABOVE.

4. WE SHALL MAKE MAXIMUM EFFORT TO CARRY THESE TWO CHANGES, AND SHALL ENDEAVOR TO CARRY THE REST. WE HAVE ALREADY INFORMED UK, FRG, JAPAN, USSR, AND BRAZIL OF OUR VIEWS ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE UNACCEPTABILITY OF THE REFERENCES TO THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDR. BRAZIL EXPLAINS THAT IT ACCEPTED THESE REFERENCES IN ORDER TO DERAIL JHA DRAFT AND WIN CO-SPONSORSHIP OF INDIA FOR RES AS WHOLE, WHICH TO BE INTRODUCED BY ALGERIA, ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, MEXICO, PAKISTAN AND VENEZUELA.

5. FRG SHARES OUR DISTASTE FOR POINTS OF RESOLUTION OUR AMENDMENTS WOULD CURE, EXPECIALLY REFERENCES TO NEW INTERNATIONAL EXONOMIC ORDER AND DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION. UK, HOWEVER, INCLINED TO ACCEPT RESOLUTION AS IS, SINCE IT DOES NOT VIEW THESE PREAMBULAR REFERENCES AS VERY DAMAGING.
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6. WHILE OUR AMENDMENTS, IF PRESSED TO VOTE, SHOULD GARNER SOME WESTERN AND POSSIBLY OTHER SCATTERED SUPPORT, IF OUR EFFORTS TO PERSUADE G-77 TO ACCEPT THEM FAIL, THE AMENDMENTS WILL FAIL. IN THAT EVENT, WE THINK IT LIKELY THAT EC-9 AND JAPAN, EVEN THOUGH THEY SUPPORT OUR DEFEATED AMENDMENTS, WILL VOTE FOR UNAMENDED RESOLUTION, THOUGH PERHAPS FRG AND JAPAN MIGHT NOT.

7. EVEN IN THE EVENT, HOWEVER, WE RECOMMEND THAT USDEL REQUEST A VOTE ON RESOLUTION AND VOTE NEGATIVELY.

8. ADVANTAGE OF THAT COURSE WOULD BE THAT WE WOULD HAVE ACHIEVED OUR PROCEDURAL AIM WHICH THE RESOLUTION NICELY EMBODIES, WHILE HAVING BY OUR NEGATIVE VOTE PRESERVED OUR SUBSTANTIVE POSITION ON MNCS. DISADVANTAGE IS TRANSIENT NOTE OF NEGATIVISM AND ISOLATION. WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD SUSTAIN THIS DISADVANTAGE, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE GREATLY OUTWEIGHED BY DISADVANTAGE OF VOTING FOR OR JOINING IN CONSENSUS IN SUPPORT OF A RESOLUTION WHICH ENDORSES THE PROVISIONS OF THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION CONCERNING MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS. THOSE PROVISIONS ARE LARGELY UNACCEPTABLE TO US. TO SEEM TO ACCEPT THEM, EVEN OBLIQUELY AND IN PREAMBULAR LANGUAGE, WOULD UNDERCUT SUBSTANCE OF OUR POSITION ON MNCS IN WAY WHICH USDEL DOES NOT RECOMMEND.

9. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS BY MORNING JULY 23.
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